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nt of \$229.63. This payment represented the full amount owed
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2	4. In October 2011, Plaintiff contacted Verizon after finding out that						
3	Verizon was reporting derogatory information, which included, but not limited to,						
4	a "paid" collection account.						
5	Plaintiff, contacted Verizon managment advising them that the						
6	information was bogus and almost entirely false and that it was damaging to						
7	Plaintiff's creditworthiness. After having received multiple personal insults						
8	from the Verizon's manager, Verizon's manager refused to delete the trade line						
9	from my credit report.						
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l 1	5. On or about October 16, 2011, I contacted at Equifax and advised						
12	them step-by-step why the Verizon account was false. Plaintiff also advised						
13	Equifax that the information being provided was deliberately and intentionally						
14	being reported and used to discredit and damage Plaintiff's creditworthiness.						
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20	6. On February 16, 2012, March 19, 2013, April 17, 2013, and						
21	6. On February 16, 2012, March 19, 2013, April 17, 2013 and May 2, 2013, Plaintiff contacted Equifax by telephone, fax and U.S. Mail						
22	demanding that the false information be deleted.						
23	In each case, Equifax representatives claimed they investigated my						
24	allegations of false credit reporting and that their findings indicated that Verizon						
25	was, in fact, correct in the information that they were reporting on the Equifax						
26	credit straight line for Plaintiff.						
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2	7. On March 16, 2013, Plaintiff even sought the help of the Consumer
3	Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB). Subsequently, Plaintiff filed a complaint
4	with the CFPB, Case Number 130316-000067. Verizon and Equifax essentially
5	ignored Plaintiff's complaint and CFPB advised that Plaintiff should take legal
6	action to resolve this matter.
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11	8. In April 2013, Equifax manager, Lisa Willis, contacted Verizon via
12	8. In April 2013, Equifax manager, Lisa Willis, contacted Verizon via a three way call. During the call, Verizon acknowledged shocking information
13	that they were reporting fictitious information and that it was created to reflect
14	the negative reporting against Plaintiff personally.
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20	9. On May 1, 2013, Plaintiff filed a Small Claims lawsuit in Inglewood
21	Insert ¶ # Superior Court of California - Case number ING13S01494. In the complaint,
22	Plaintiff indicated that Verizon, Equifax and Experian collaboration was and in
23	violation of the FCRA. In the complaint, Plaintiff also indicated that the Verizon
24	account number #16841 was falsely created and the information included in the
25	trade line was almost entirely false, with the exception of Plaintiff's name.
26	The false information included in the trade line included a false
27	opening date. Equifax reported that the account was opened February 12, 2008,
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1 versus the actual open date of October 27 1993. Equifax also reported that the 2 3 account was (opened vs closed). To add to the negative reporting, Equifax further 4 falsely reported the account closed date of July 2008, versus actual close date of 5 December 29, 2010. As of September 6, 2013, 64 days after a Inglewood, California Small Claims Court ordered Equifax to delete the Plaintiff's Verizon 6 trade line from Plaintiff's credit report. Equifax still refused to delete this trade line 7 8 from Plaintiff's credit file. Equifax and Verizon both are aware that the information 9 is fictitious, negative, and derogatory. The Defendants are also aware that the 10 negative reporting is damaging my personal character, as well as my 11 Insert ¶# 12 creditworthiness. 13 Defendant Equifax falsely reported the amount paid by Plaintiff to be \$0. Defendants Verizon and Equifax each represented to the Small Claims Court 14 15 that the Plaintiff had, in fact, in 2008, "PAID" the account "IN FULL" in the 16 amount of \$229.63. Defendant Equifax presented and had acknowledged of this payment on several occasions. 17 18 19 20 10. Insert ¶ # On July 2, 2013, after Plaintiff served name Defendants, Verizon, 21 Experian and Equifax as dependents in Small Claims Court, all three Defendants 22 appeared at Small Claims trial and argued before a Small Claims Judge. At the 23 "trial", the Verizon Agent admitted to the Court that Verizon, in fact, had created 24 a fictitious account in the Plaintiff's name, but offered no regrets or apologies. 25 The Judge chastised the defendants for participating in what he described as an outright intentional fraud. The Judge indicated that Small Claims Court was 26 27 not the proper venue to hear claims of the FCRA, 15 U.S.C. § 1681a(c) violations. 28

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### VI. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

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4	WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff requests:
5	FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF
6	(FCRA - 15 U.S.C. § 1681n)  13. Plaintiff realleges paragraphs 1-12 as if fully set forth herein.
7	Insert ¶ #
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11	14 Equifax willfully failed to comply with the requirements imposed undo
12	$\frac{14}{Insert}$ , Equifax willfully failed to comply with the requirements imposed under
13	FCRA, 15 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq., including but not limited to:
14	a) failing to follow reasonable procedures to assure maximum possible
15	accuracy of the information in consumer reports, as required by 15 U.S.C. § 1681e(b)
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17	b) failing to comply with the reinvestigation requirements in 15 U.S.C. § 1681i;
18	c) providing Plaintiff's credit file to companies without determining that
19	companies had a permissible purpose to obtain Plaintiff's credit file pursuant to
20	15 U.S.C. § 1681b; and
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22	d) failing to provide Plaintiff's his credit file pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681g.
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VII. DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff hereby requests a jury trial on all issues raised in this complaint.

Dated: September 6, 2013

Sign:

Print Name: Rutherford Dawson

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(b) Attorneys (Firm Name, are representing yourself, p.O. Box 13012 Marina Del Ray, California 902 Tel: 310-989-3880 Email: rutherforddawson@ao	provide same informa 295			m Name, Address and Telep yourself, provide same infor			
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VIII. VENUE: Your answers to the questions below will determine the division of the Court to which this case will most likely be initially assigned. This initial assignment is subject to change, in accordance with the Court's General Orders, upon review by the Court of your Complaint or Notice of Removal.

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